

DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

As below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor of the subject matter that is claimed in an application entitled *Process for Treating Previously Coated Phosphor Particles*, the specification and drawings of which are attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified specification including the claims.

I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in Title 37, Code of Federal Regulations, §1.56.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements are made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statement may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

And I hereby appoint

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as my attorney with full power of substitution and revocation, to prosecute this application and to transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith. All telephone calls and correspondence on my behalf for this application should be directed to:

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Wherefore I pray that Letters Patent be granted to me for the invention or discovery described and claimed in the above-identified patent application.

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Honorable Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks,
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SIR:

It is respectfully requested that the art listed below be considered in the examination of the subject application and made of record therein. A copy of the art listed below is enclosed.

3,920,865 discloses in the Figure treating metal oxide
Läuf er et a. particles in a fluidized bed with
November 18, 1975 organopolysiloxanes at high temperature; all
water is removed prior to reaction, column 5,
lines 58-68;

5,151,215 discloses in column 2, lines 37–43, heating
Sigai phosphor to high temperature to avoid adversely
September 29, 1992 affecting an alumina protective coating;

5,220,243 discloses (abstract) coating electroluminescent
Klinedinst et al. phosphor with an alumina coating;
June 15, 1993

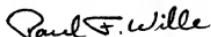
5,593,782 discloses in column 11, lines 25–28, coating
Budd electroluminescent particles with titania;
January 14, 1997

WO 99/35889 discloses coating electroluminescent particles
Kosa et al. with polyureasilazane
July 15, 1999

*A Guide to Dow Corning Silane
Coupling Agents* technical background: discloses various silanes
Dow Corning Corporation and their use as coupling agents; coupling to an
1986 oxide is described at page 6ff.

It is respectfully submitted that the invention as disclosed and claimed in the above-identified application is not disclosed or suggested by the prior art listed above.

Respectfully submitted,



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